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WILL LOOK AT THE BOOKS.
Affairs of All State Institutions are to be
Overhauled.

The Springfield Journal says it is more
than probable that the present legislature
through special committees will do a
vast amount of investigating before it adjourns. From the general talk now being
induced in by the members every
charitable and penal institution in the
state will be subjected to a searching inquiry.

There was a small meeting of senators
from northern Illinois Tuesday evening
for the purpose of discussing the ad-
vability of having a committee appointed to
look over the books of the Joliet prison.

"We agreed that it should be done,"
said one of the senators afterwards, "but
have not yet fully determined as to how
we shall proceed. The penitentiary at
Joliet has used up over \$800,000 cash
during the last four years, all of which
was appropriated from the state treasury.
Besides this, it has used up thousands of
dollars made by the 400 convicts working
under the old contract system. I think
if the truth were known it will be shown
that the Joliet prison has cost the state
over \$1,000,000 during the last four
years."

Then there is talk of a deficit of near
\$100,000 at the Chester penitentiary and
charges of gross mismanagement. Cer-
tainly it is, however, that arrangements are
on foot tending towards a complete investi-
gation as to the management of every
public institution in the state.

"I think the Republicans would be foolish," remarked a senator in conversation
with some fellow senators regarding an
investigation, "to take a lot of bankrupt
institutions off the hands of the Democ-
rats without first checking up the ac-
counts. I think the legislature should
take this matter in hand and show the
people the financial condition of every
prison, reformatory and asylum in the
state."

GIVEN TO THE JURY.

Arguments Concluded in the June Lan-
caster Case.

The arguments in the county court in
the case of the people vs June Lancaster
were concluded this afternoon shortly
after three o'clock, when the court's in-
structions to the jury were read and the
twelve men retired to make up their ver-
dict. J. R. Mills for the prosecution and
David Hutchison for the defense, spoke
before the noon hours, and this afternoon
C. C. Leforge for the defendant, and I.
A. Buckingham for the prosecution,
wound up the talk. The addresses were
vastly more interesting and entertaining
to the crowd of spectators than 16 to 1
talks, and every speaker had a crowd.
The admission was free.

It is predicted that Lancaster will be
acquitted on the charge of bastardy, the
accusation brought by Addie Cooper, a
mulatto.

Mrs. J. H. Gore will enter some of her
famously good bread for the Farmers' in-
stitute exhibit.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 4, 1897.—
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to R. Z. Taylor,
dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with cor-
respondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis
and St. Louis for the following market quo-
tations:

	Open- ing.	High- est	Low- est	Clos- ing.
Wheat— February	734	735	732	732
July	731	732	708	72
CORN— February	24	24	24	23
July	25	25	23	23
February	17	17	17	17
May	17	17	17	17
PORK— February	7.57	7.60	7.05	7.57
Lard— February	3.87	3.87	3.80	3.80
May	3.87	3.87	3.80	3.80
February	3.82	3.87	3.87	3.87
May	3.82	3.87	3.87	3.87

May wheat: pub., 734¢; cash, 734¢; carb.,
735¢.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CORN—LARD.

Wheat—14. Estimated, 17. Year ago, 200.

Corn—575. Estimated, 576; a year ago, 227.

ESTIMATES FOR TOMORROW.

Wheat, 25; Corn, 550; Oats, 265.

May receipts, 22,000; estimated, 35,000. Mar-
ket higher.

Light, 83¢40; Mixed, 88.30; 88.45;

Heavy, 88.45; Rough, 83.20; 83.25.

Estimated for to-morrow, 10,000.

Oats receipts, 5,600; market 10¢ higher.

PRORIA QUOTATIONS.

PRORIA, Feb. 4.—Corn, easy, new, No. 2,

white, 18¢c; oats, quiet, No. 2, white, 18¢c;

18¢c; rye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Butter, firm, even-
ing, 18¢20c; Eggs, steady, 18¢20c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Wheat, 69¢c;

Corn, May, 30c; oats, May, 22c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4.—Wheat, cash, 88¢; May,
cash, 88¢; Corn, cash 20; May, 21¢; Oats, cash
20¢; May, 18¢.

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MORE WINDY WORDS.

W. J. Bryan Invited to Address the
Kansas House of Representa-
tives After a Long Debate.

NOT THE IDOL OF ALL KANSANS.

A Judge Resigns to Avoid Impeachment
—The Captain of the Agra Safe
—Ohio National Bank
Suspends.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 5.—The house of
representatives after several days of lively
debate adopted a resolution inviting W.
J. Bryan to address that body. The Re-
publicans secured the striking out of the
original clause the words declaring Bryan
dear to the heart of every true Kansan."

Judge Metz Resigns.
Cheyenne, Wyo., Feb. 5.—Judge Metz
rendered his resignation to the governor
and it was accepted. The house had de-
cided to bring impeachment proceedings
against him and the senate prepared to
resile itself into a court for his trial to-
morrow. It was charged that he permitted
the Sun Dance bank to transfer worth-
less marsh lands to minor ward of his
court in liquidation of a debt of \$9000.

Another Hurricane in Australia.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 5.—News received
yesterday is to the effect that Port Dar-
win, a small but important town in South
Australia, has been almost wiped out by
a hurricane. No lives were lost but the
loss of property was very large. The hur-
ricane was accompanied by a heavy rain
which damaged the goods in the unroofed
buildings.

Captain of the Agra Safe.

Gibraltar, Feb. 5.—The steamer Onaga
today signalled that the steamer City of
Agra from Glasgow, was lost. The cap-
tain of the Agra is on board the Onaga.

Ohio Bank Suspends.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The comptroller
of the currency was advised of the suspen-
sion of the First National bank of Frank-
lin, Ohio, today. At the date of the last
report the bank had on deposit \$75,000;
assets, \$168,000.

The comptroller also received a telegram
from two directors of the Northwestern
National bank at Great Falls, Mont., stat-
ing that because of certain actions by the
casher they had taken possession of the
bank and asking instructions from the
comptroller; also asking that a receiver in
the vicinity take charge until the na-
tional bank examiner could reach there.

WHAT ILLINOIS IS AFTER.

Modest List of Federal Jobs Sought at
Canton.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Up to date the
following Illinois aspirants have declared
their preferences: Pension agent at
Chicago; Isaac Clements, of Carbondale,
a Cullom and machine man, and C. P.
Benton, of Aurora, who will receive Rep-
resentative Hopkins' support; district
attorney for the northern district, S. H.
Litchfield, of Dixon, and Charles Fueter of
Belvidere, both machine men; United
States marshal for northern district, John
Ames, of Streator; collector of internal
revenue, northern district, F. E. Coyne,
of the 13th ward, backed by Senator-elect
Mason; sub-treasurer, Senator Munroe,
of Joliet, a business partner and warm
personal friend of Madden, upon whom
both United States senators will probably
vote; Senator Aspinwall of Freeport,
Representative Hitt's candidate, with A.
H. Revell of Chicago, as possible candi-
dates of the McKinley element; collector
of customs at Chicago, William Penn
Nixon, machine candidate, and C. U.
Gordon of the Marquette club, an origi-
nal McKinley man; appraiser, David
Shanahan; marshal, southern district,
Charles P. Hitch of Paris; district attorney,
southern district, Richard Yates of
Jacksonville, and Otto Humphrey of
Springfield, Ill.; J. M. Rice of Peoria
wants to be assistant secretary of war;
Congressman Aldrich of Chicago, desired
to reside in Belgium as the diplomatic
representative of this country; Clarke E.
Carr seeks his old post as minister to
Denmark; Horace S. Clark of Mattoon
wants to go as minister to Mexico, and
Robert Wilcox of Freeport aspires to be
commissioner of patents.

Fatal Fight Between Families.

Mt. Vernon, Ky., Feb. 5.—A drunken
family fight yesterday in a remote corner
of Rock Castle county, near the Garrard
line, resulted in one death and may cause
another. Ross Parker, aged 21, and his
father, Anderson Parker, aged 60, became
engaged in a quarrel, which soon
became a shooting affray. Anderson Parker
was instantly killed by his son. Ross
Parker fell, perhaps fatally wounded.
He is wounded in the leg and in the head.

The messenger who brought the news
here said the son could not recover. The
coroner and sheriff have gone to the scene.

Funeral of Maj. Roper.

Brockford, Ill., Feb. 5.—The funeral of
the late Major George S. Roper will be
held from the Christian Union church in
this city Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.
Representative Grand Army men and a
delegation of the Loyal Legion and Mystic
Sons of the American Revolution of Chicago
are to be present.

D. L. Moody's Birthday.

Boston, Feb. 5.—D. L. Moody, the fa-
mous evangelist, is observing his 60th
birthday today. Friends collected \$80,
000 which is to be used by him to erect a
chapel for the Mt. Vernon school for boys
which Moody has founded.

A Family Killing.

Crab Orchard, Ky., Feb. 5.—Anderson

late court on the grounds that the pro-
ceedings were illegal, and especially op-
posing the appointment of Trainer, a bond-
holder, because he is an interested party.
The line was built about five years ago at
a cost of \$70,000, but has failed to pay ex-
penses for a few years past.

What Dr. Hunter Told a Friend.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 5.—One of the
confidential friends of Dr. W. G. Hunter,
has received from him some interesting
information concerning his recent visit to
Canton. It settles some rumors that
he has been absorbing Kentucky politicians
recently. Dr. Hunter said it was absolutely
untrue that either McKinley or Hanna
preferred another to himself for
United States senator. The doctor then
added:

"This much, too, I can say: Until a
Republican senator is elected, not appoint-
ed, but elected, no federal patronage or
anything else will go to Kentucky. Mr.
McKinley will put a southern man in the
cabinet, and prefers one from a state
which has gone Republican, but he may
have to go elsewhere."

In reference to the report telegraphed
from Canton that he had gone into a deal
with Yerkes to settle the senatorial mandate
by withdrawing from the race in favor
of Yerkes and accepting the commission-
ship of internal revenues, Dr. Hunter
said there was not a word of truth in it,
and that the matter was not mentioned
during his talk with the president-elect.
He said further that he would be in the
race until the end.

Electrical Experiments with Plants.

Ambert, Mass., Feb. 5.—The Hatch
Experiment station of the state agricultural
college has just issued a bulletin in
which is a detailed report of a series of
experiments on the effect of electric cur-
rents upon the germination of seeds and
the early growth of plants. Two forms of
battery and seven varying methods of
applying the electric current were used,
while eight varieties of seeds were includ-
ed in the tests. A summary of results in
the germination of seeds indicates that
the application showed a gain in prompt-
ness of germination of 32.40 per cent in
twenty-four hours, and 0.33 per cent in
seventy-two hours. A similar series of
observations upon growth, both root and
stem, showed gains by means of electric-
ity of 17.65 per cent in twenty-four hours,
11.47 per cent in forty-eight hours, 2.38
per cent in seventy-two hours, and 3.38
per cent in ninety-six hours. It is deter-
mined that growth can be best stimu-
lated by applying the current for thirty
seconds at hourly intervals.

Many women who have been in the habit
of looking around and gently turning up
her nose at the meek little man who made
whispered comments of a sarcastic nature
in regard to the "flower garden" upon her
head was really pitiable last night in her
nervous haste to get the big hat off and
into her bag before she could be arrested.

In not a single theatre were there more
than two or three big hats, and these were
almost invariably confined to the rear
rows. The women who attended the
theatre last night seemed anxious to
avoid celebrity by being the first

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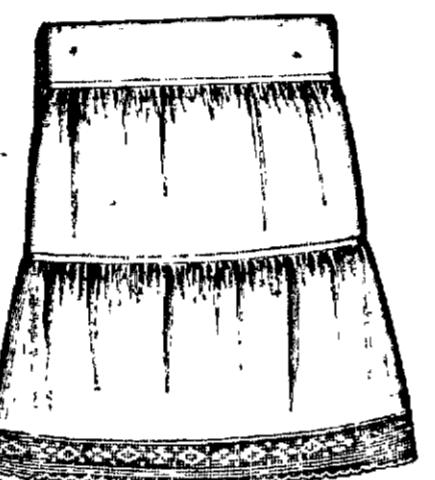
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Ladies' Good Muslin Gown, Double Yoke, All Sizes.....	At 39 cts
Ladies' Fine Muslin Gown, 4 rows of Hamburg Inserting and Tucks in Yoke and Hamburg Ruffle around Neck and Sleeve.....	At 50 cts
Ladies' Fine Muslin Gown, V shaped, Hamburg Inserting and Tucks in Yoke.....	At 75 cts
Ladies' Fine Muslin Gown, Square Neck and Empire Style, with fine Hamburg Inserting in yoke Hamburg ruffle around neck & sleeve.....	At \$1.00
Ladies' Fine Muslin Drawers with Hamburg Ruffle and Cluster of Tucks.....	At 29 cts
Ladies' Good Muslin Skirts with Hamburg Ruffle and Tucks.....	At 39 cts
Ladies' Good Muslin Skirt, 4 inch Hamburg Ruffle and Tucks.....	At 45 cts



Ladies Fine Muslin Skirts, Umbrella Shaped Deep Flounce, Hamburg Edge..... **At 98 cts**



Ladies' Fine Cambric Skirts, Umbrella shaped Deep Flounce of fine Lawn and Hemstitched..... **At \$1.00**

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

A Taxpayer Calmly Discusses the Public Library Matter.

Ed. Republican: In the discussion going on in regard to the moving of the library to the new Powers building many of our people seem to have lost sight of the most important fact in the whole matter and that is that after the proposition of Mr. Powers had been submitted and Roberts & Greene notified and asked to submit their best terms and given ample time to do so the library board proceeded to vote and accept the Powers offer and so notified Mr. Powers, they cannot honorably go back or rescind their action and no member of the board can honorably vote to do so. No matter whether there is or is not some legal technicality by which a loop hole might be found to crawl out, among all the honorable business men, that claim whose word is considered as good, as their bond the action already taken cannot be otherwise considered than as final so far as the present board is concerned; and all this talk and petition for them to go back upon their plighted word cannot fail to have a very deleterious effect upon the business morality and integrity of our young people and especially those in our high school that are being asked to sign a petition. It will require many lessons and precepts to counteract the practical lesson of dishonest business methods that is being given. Go into the chamber of commerce or board of trade in any of our large cities and advocate such action as is being advocated in this case and see how quickly those members acting upon such principles would be expelled. It is astonishing and amazing that people who intend to be and are essentially conscientious and honest in all their personal matters and dealings can so far forget themselves as many are doing in this matter. The board can consistently do but one of two things, either adhere to the action taken or resign and it is not believed that any considerable number of our people would consent to the resignation of our present able and efficient board. What may be our personal individual preferences should have but slight weight when compared with the public good and especially public honor and honesty.

Tax Payer.

The Arbitration Treaty.

Ed. Republican: Without having the exact language worded of the proposed arbitration treaty with England it is a little difficult for the ordinary citizen to discern its intelligibility. But with a fair knowledge of the history of England for the last 100 years, and more especially the last 50, it will bring into full consideration

the condition and situation of the two countries it is very plain to even the ordinary student of history, that by such an arrangement England has nothing to lose but everything to gain, while we run the risk of losing much and gaining nothing. Understanding and appreciating all the horrors of war many of our people seem to think that any arrangement we may enter into which would seem to promise to avert all danger of such calamity will be to our advantage.

For the winter season the carrying harness and the blanket are combined. As a rule, the blanket is of corduroy, and keeps the shriveling pet as warm as his mistress in her fun. In color, the blanket is generally red, and it is a comical sight to see this red blanketed and behanched creature trailing along at the side of his mistress as she walks down the street, or hanging limply from the blanket harness as it depends from the lady's hand.

Prices of the carrying harness and blanket vary considerably, ranging from five to forty dollars each. Sometimes the leather and the blanket are embroidered with silver, and occasionally gold ornamentation glitters on the combination. Combine the gold collar set with diamonds, and the gold and silver ornamented carrying harness and blanket, and the result makes the pampered dog of fashion almost as conspicuous an object as his pretty and richly dressed mistress.

Upon stormy days, when his mistress desires to give the small rusticet an airing she can carry him in a newly invented satchel which answers the purpose admirably. It is rounded in form, opens at one side, and at one end the leather is upon hinges and can be let entirely down or partially so, as may be desired.

When this is done, a net work of leather or sometimes silver wire is revealed, permitting the occupant of the queer looking satchel to breathe all the fresh air it desires.—N. Y. Herald.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald." Richard Vinsel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectation very easy and rapid. A. J. Storer & Son and Armstrong Bros.

Edward Trutter, of Springfield, son of Joseph Trutter, president of the Springfield Coal Mining and Tile company, died Saturday after a short illness. He was a well known travelling man.

H. S. Cady, of Brimfield, set fire to the calaboose of that town, in which he was confined, and came near being cremated. He is insane. He was recently left \$6000 by his father.



HOW TO CARRY YOUR DOG.

suspended in midair in this way. Quite the contrary, however. Experience shows that it is much more comfortable than being squeezed and smothered in the arms of his mistress or her maid, no matter how carefully they try to move him about.

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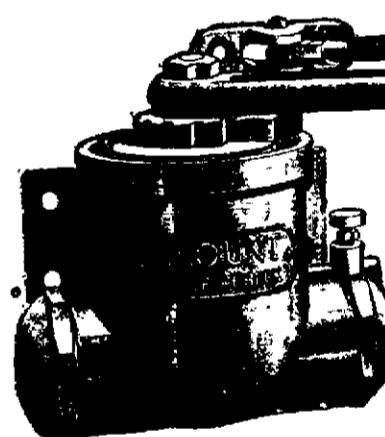
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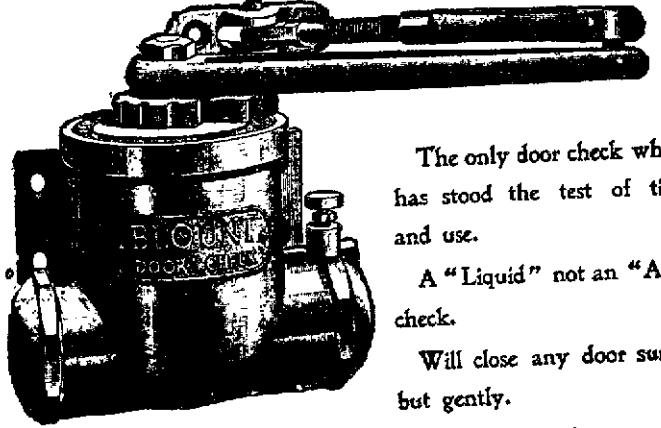
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Irwin's Rock Balsam gives immediate relief for coughs and colds.

"Monte Cristo" at the Grand Saturday night, with James R. O'Neill as the popular star.

Charles Drake is making an effort to be appointed one of the guards at the Chester penitentiary.

The Elks of Danville will give a minstrel show February 8. In the first part 250 incandescent lamps will be used.

Bear in mind the fact, ye Princes of the Orient, that the banquet and ball will occur on the night of February 24.

At Lincoln yesterday W. H. Trainer was appointed receiver of the electric street railway company. The bond is \$10,000.

The members of the Fellowship club, numbering thirty couples, gave their regular dancing party at Guards' Armory last night. It was a very enjoyable affair.

The members of the Progressive club were entertained yesterday afternoon by Miss Evelyn Barton at her home on West North street.

People know a good thing; it is worth your while to go to the new photograph gallery in the Millikin building where they make photographs at 50¢ a dozen and see the crowd. 2-ft

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 433, new phone 435. M. F. Metz.—91-dit.

Those who met with the Misses Irish yesterday afternoon at the gathering of the Young Ladies club were Misses Donna Buckingham, Madge Hayes, Ida Voorhees, Grace Hainsher, Lola and Lulu Montgomery, Anna Roby, Myrtle Wheeler, Nita Hulard, Mae Harwood, Jessie Montgomery, Leona Moore, Edith Rice, Mario and Anna Irish, Mrs. Somerville and Mrs. Stoner. The guest of the club was Miss Shelly of Lexington, Ky.

Vegetables are scarce. You can get Tomatos, Oyster Plant, Spinach, Water Cress, Lettuce and fine Celery at PEARL OYSTER & FISH CO. Telephone 344. 3-dit.

The National Association of Local Fire Insurance agents will hold their meeting in St Louis May 11, 1897. It is stated there are 85,000 local fire insurance agents in the United States and Canada. Almost every town of importance has from one to one hundred. This is not a delegated meeting, every local fire agent in this country and Canada having been invited to attend and bring their families, as there are social as well as business features connected with the organization. The Wabash line will in the near future announce a low rate for this meeting. This will be open not only to the insurance agents but also the traveling public. 3-dit

Garden Seeds. Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s — jan 30-d&wft

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In the Champaign county court a jury decided that John G. Schafer, of Pekin, was not of sound mind, and recommended that a conservator be appointed.

Mr. Schafer is 77 years old, and he is the owner of 384 acres. There are six heirs.

Judge Staley appointed Supervisor J. E. Davis, and placed the bond at \$25,000.

Per order of Judge Vail all of the cases

on the dockets in the circuit court, January term, have been printed in pamphlet form for the convenience of the court and the attorneys.

Copies of the printed bar

docket are now in the hands of the attorney.

Dr. H. W. Burt, a noted homoeopath,

who died in Chicago last week, formerly practiced in Lincoln, moving to Chicago just after the great fire.

George Whitaker, son of A. S. Whitaker, of Mt. Pisgah, died in Boerne, Texas, last week. He was traveling for his health.

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A SURPRISE FEAST.

The Ladies of Myrtle Temple and the Knights of Pythias.

The regular meeting of Coeur de Leon Lodge, No. 17, K. P., was held at the new castle hall last night. The attendance was quite large, including visiting Knights from Cerro Gordo, Missouri and other points. Just as the session of the lodge closed about forty members of Myrtle Temple, Rathbone Sisters, marched into the room and took possession. The appearance of the ladies was a complete surprise to nearly all of the Knights.

They had had no intimation of the very agreeable invasion, and when Mrs. J. W. Weigand on behalf of the sisters announced that supper was ready in the banquet hall, then the object of the visit was understood without further comment.

In the banquet hall the feast had been spread upon a long table. It was a splendid supper and was thoroughly enjoyed, the ladies serving the excellent coffee with real cream, and seeing that all of the Knights had plenty of ham sandwiches, cake, pickles, pie, etc., etc. J. C. Hostetter was selected by the ladies to serve as toastmaster.

Responses to toasts were made in a happy vein by S. D. McKinney, W. T. Dilshun, G. A. Ahrens, M. Holt and others. It was nearly 12 o'clock before the congenial company separated,

the Knights quietly threatening that some day they would get even with the ladies for giving them such a surprise shock.

MUNSON NOT DEAD.

Alive and Kicking and as Fat and Greasy, as Ever.

The Republican of Wednesday published a rumor that "Fatty" Munson had been killed in a gambling house in Nashville, Tenn. C. H. Davis, an employe of Mrs. Combs' restaurant, informs us that Mrs. Combs received a letter from Mrs. Munson yesterday in which she stated that "George was as well as ever," etc., so the whole story turns out to be a barber shop rumor.

Matrimonial.

W. L. Bushart and Miss Emma B. Grubbs were quietly married Thursday noon at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. S. M. Grubbs, 809 West Pugh street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. C. Miller of the Congregational church, only the immediate relatives of the parties being present. The bride is a charming young lady and has a host of Decatur friends. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bushart of Hervey City, and is a prosperous young farmer. The young couple will make their home on a farm near Bethany. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bushart, parents of the groom; A. L. and Rose Bushart and Miss Lola Bushart of Hervey City; Miss Frye of Prairie Home, and Mrs. File and Miss Ella Battles of Chillicothe.

North on a Visit.

Captain George P. Zeiss of Houston, Texas, arrived in Decatur last night to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bushar. He left for Mt. Pulaski to close up some business matters. Mr. Zeiss made a quick trip north. He left Houston Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and making close connections at St. Louis, landed in Decatur at 11 o'clock last night, covering the distance in thirty-one hours.

Building Prospects Poor.

The lumber dealers say that the prospects for building the coming season are not good.

At present there are no orders of any consequence in sight. Usually at this time of year contractors are figuring on work but this season there is yet no talk of any new buildings being erected.

The lumber men say that it is most likely that the amount of building done this season will be small.

Masonic Temple at Marion.

The contract for the frescoing of the new Masonic Temple at Marion was awarded yesterday to J. B. Ehrhart of Decatur. All of the work is to be done in oil.

The ceiling is to be finished in yellow roses and tiger lilies in wreath work, side walls in groups of pillars, and a master piece of eight columns at the end.

Mr. Ehrhart will begin the work on Monday.

Death of a Child.

Della Constance, the 9-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Humphreys, died at the residence of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Roberts southwest of Harristown. The funeral was held at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the residence. The burial was at Long Point cemetery.

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Everybody is invited to attend.—3-dit

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The beneficiary of the will of Mrs. Amelia Todd, aged 97, who died recently, is Dr. H. D. Hell. The doctor gave all of the articles to the Anna B. Millikin Home.

Mrs. Todd thought a great deal of the doctor, because of his uniform kindness to her, and what little she had

she gave to him, much to his surprise.

The Judicial Contest.

Vermilion county has two candidates

for circuit judge in the fourth district.

They are Judge Bookwater and Judge Thompson. Primaries will be held Saturday to determine which gentleman shall

have the delegates from Vermilion county.

In Trouble.

H. Lobb of the Lion store on North

Water street, is reported by the papers to

be in serious trouble in Chicago. He

went there to get married and was placed

under arrest on an old charge. The mar-

riage has been delayed, though it may

take place today.

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WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Rain or snow this afternoon and tonight; Saturday, partly cloudy; fresh to brisk easterly winds.

Illinois seems to have it also, in a slight degree. Some member has introduced a bill in the legislature to prevent gold contracts. He is one of Alzeld's followers, too.

Hon. M. F. Kanan has been made chairman of the committee on banks and banking and it follows that no fool bank bill will ever pass that committee with its endorsement.

It is quite apparent from the makeup of the committees in the house so far announced that Speaker Curtis is not disposed to rely upon the machine alone for his support.

Robert G. Ingalls refused to debate the question of religion with Sam Jones because he does not represent any great church. The colonel might have referred on general principles and been consistent.

It is reported that Lyman J. Gage wears a wig. This may be true but the fact that there will be no bald headed business in the treasury under his administration is more important to the people.

Bryan's book arraigns trusts, combinations and monopolies but he was careful to score a monopoly on the book by taking out a copyright and is now suing some fellow for infringing on the title of the production.

Twenty-eight day, more and the auditors and abettors of the women-murderer will be out of office. When that transition takes place it is to be hoped the United States will cease to be forced to do patriotic duty for Spain.

Should Bushnell refuse to appoint M. A. Hanna to succeed Sherman and Mark should accept the office of postmaster general Foraker would have to get his mail outside of the state of Ohio if he got it at all from a friendly Indian.

While Spain assumed to be trying to pacify the Cubans by offering reforms Weyler still continues to make war on women and children. Perhaps that may be the way to have the reforms accepted by the Cubans but we doubt it.

The vessel known as the Three Friends is engaged in carrying arms and ammunition to the Cubans and thus befriending them. The three friends of Spain are Cleveland, Olney and Harmon. Both machines are American productions but the people's sympathies are with the vessel.

Governor Bushnell, who is supposed to be governed by Senator Foraker, it is reported will refuse to appoint M. A. Hanna to the United States senate to succeed Sherman. There is no excuse for this course as the vacancy was made by Sherman consenting to accept the premiership and should be consulted as to his successor. If Bushnell is correctly reported it means political war in Ohio and perhaps in some quarters outside of the state.

The Hon. Hank Evans, head of the defunct senatorial combine has been made chairman of the committee on the Lincoln monument. As he has just been through a battle this concession is perhaps made by the "goats" that he may go out and study the groups on the monument representing the four arms of the service without being ordered off the grass.

A bill has been introduced in the Missouri legislature which provides a penalty of five years' imprisonment for any married man found guilty of infidelity to his marriage vows, no matter what the circumstances may be. He can even make the plea that Adams did, in extenuation of his crime nor plead hypnotism.

The Globe-Democrat: The open discussion of the arbitration treaty which several senators ask for ought to be had. The country would like to hear the best which can be said for and against it. Many senators are known to be hostile to the treaty, and the people want to know the ground of their opposition. So far as these are known the majority of the enemies of the treaty are Democratic adherents. There is a popular impression that their attitude on this matter is dictated by hatred of Cleveland and Olney. For their own justification, therefore, they should favor a discussion of the treaty in the open Senate if the popular estimate of their motives in fighting it is erroneous. The people want to know how each senator stands on the treaty, and why he thus stands.

A number of citizens of East Tennessee in 1861, enlisted in the union, were service as bridge builders, understanding that they would be hanged or shot if captured.

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HEARD IN WASHINGTON.

Stories That Are Good Enough to Bear Repetition.

How Senator Wolcott Surprised a Lady Correspondent—A Duke Victimized by His Tailor—A Geography Lesson in Indians.

[Special Washington Letter.]

Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, does not deny the story, and it is probably a true one. When he was a young man he was, as now, attorney for several large railway corporations. He was regarded by the gentler sex as a confirmed bachelor, proof against all the advances and charms of matrimony. A lady in the southern part of the state desired a pass to Denver. She wrote a friend, who was well acquainted with Mr. Wolcott, asking her to request a pass from him, and like all women, she wrote a postscript, which in this instance was as follows:

"P.S.—I wish you would also send me one of those P. D. corsets, the kind you wore when I was last in Denver. I think they are just too lovely for anything."

Her friend being in very much of a hurry, and momentarily forgetting all about the postscript, indorsed a request on the back and forwarded the letter to Mr. Wolcott. A reply came promptly as follows:

"Dear Madam—I enclose a pass, as requested, for your friend Miss ——. I would send her the P. D. corset, but have for gotten her number. Very respectfully,

"W. O. WOLCOTT."

American Girls' Touching Fate.

Congressman Mull, of Maryland, tells a true story, and it has a moral, too. It is concerning a beautiful girl in a small Maryland city, who was regarded as the handsomest and most entertaining young lady in that vicinity. She married a gentleman who held a commission in the Austrian army. He was kind, amiable, and there was no question as to his social position. She went with her husband to his far-off home. She knew no German (she spoke English very well) and had no knowledge of the world. She could speak to nobody for awhile, until she mastered enough of the language of the country to get along. The few amusements permitted her were not those she had been used to, and the absolute social freedom to come and go without suspicion was all gone. Ten years ago a former friend was in a garrison town of Austria, and there met with what had been the sweetly pretty girl of a few years before. He never saw such a change. "You are the only American I have met that I ever knew before in ten years," she said. "I am not unhappy, but I think if our girls at home could only know or understand how different everything here is from what they have been used to, they would never dream of marrying a man who was not an American. I have gone for years and never heard my mother tongue. Leopold (her husband) is in command here. But there are no ladies for me to associate with. In the Austrian service no man is permitted to marry until he has a certain income. The young officers, therefore, cannot marry, for they are generally poor. Those who are rich go into the guards regiments, which are at Vienna or other large cities. So we get the worst and poorest educated in the line. I have not spoken to a lady in six months. You cannot imagine my uttermost loneliness." As he broke her good by she broke into a torrent of tears, and said: "I am so lonely. I am so lonely. Oh, that I could go home!"

Upon his return to America he saw her mother, and told her that her daughter was dying of homesickness. She was brought home, but the bad living and mismanagement had done its work only too well, and she died within three weeks after she came under her father's roof. If our girls could only know, or if they would only think, how much unhappiness they would say themselves!

The first thing the foreigner thinks of in marrying is money, and not an American girl in 100 is married for any other cause than that she has or will have money. This rule is absolute.

Admirers of H. C. Burner remember his "Love in Old Clothes," a charming modern story written in Elizabethan English, which lends it much of its fascination. During the process of its publishing one conscientious proof-reader carefully corrected every proof coming his way into correct and up-to-date English.

Edmond Bire's "Diary of a Citizen During the Terror" has been translated into English by John de Villiers. The author says he delved so deeply into the history of the period of terror that he almost fancied himself a contemporary. He decided the only way to rid himself of the fancy was to commit the story he jotted up to paper, which he did.

SAID OF WOMEN.

A fair is indispensable to a woman who can no longer blush.—Anonymous.

Men say knowledge is power; women think dress is power.—Frederick Sheldon.

Mothers are the only goddesses in whom the whole world believes.—Anonymous.

Women, cats and birds are the creatures that waste most time on their toilets.—Charles Nodier.

The woman who throws herself at a man's head will soon find her place at his feet.—Louis Claude Joseph Desnoyers.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pine cure. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

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INVESTIGATING TRUSTS.

The Lexow Committee Examines the Havemeyer.

New York, Feb. 5.—Chairman Lexow called the joint legislative committee to order this morning and Theodore Havemeyer of the sugar trust and a number of other men prominent in mercantile pursuits were present to testify. A letter was read calling attention to the existence of a pool among the transatlantic steamship companies and asking an investigation of their methods. Theodore A. Havemeyer, vice president of the American Sugar Refining Co., was the first witness. He testified he had nothing to do with the fiscal side of the business but that Mr. Tearie of the company could enlighten the committee on that. He said the company was only in the business of refining sugar. He admitted that he was connected with the Coffee company, organized in Ohio. The object of the consolidation of the various companies which formed the present organization was to refine sugar and not control its refining and sale in the United States. In fact it did not control the sugar markets of the country. It produced about 75 per cent of the sugar used in the United States. Since 1881 the capital stock of the company has been increased some \$25,000,000 for the purpose of buying other companies. There are some eight sugar refining companies in the country. It is not true that the price of sugar has been increased owing to the acquisitions of Spreckels and other Philadelphia refiners. He declared the price of sugar is lower than at the time of the purchase. He said his brother had fixed prices at the board meetings.

TRYING FOR A NEW TRIAL.

In the case of the People vs. Jane Lancaster, convicted on a charge of bastardy in the county court, the motion for a new trial for the defendant is being argued at length this afternoon. The lawyers for the defense are confident of winning while the attorneys for the prosecution are just as confident that Judge Hammer will allow the verdict of the jury to stand.

Made Big Money.

The members of the opera house orchestra who went to Monticello last night to furnish music at the ladies' black face minstrel performance, got home this morning. They state that the show was a big success financially and that the ladies gave a good performance, nearly as meritorious as the one given recently by Decatur ladies.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the Sons of Veterans will be held Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p. m., at the G. A. R. hall to make arrangements for Union Defenders' day. A full attendance is requested Mrs. Mary Hanmer, president.

Dr. W. T. Patterson of Casner, has returned from Springfield.

PERSONAL AND LITERARY.

Cecil Rhodes is a hearty supporter of the Salvation Army, and he has made Gen. Booth an offer of land in Rhodesia for the army's use.

Signor Crispi has taken time by the forelock in having his marble monument erected in the Naples cemetery. The only inscription on it is "Crispi."

In a suit recently brought by Henri Rochefort against the manager of L'Intransigeant, it was shown that the revolutionary writer receives \$20,000 a year as editor of the paper and has drawn \$340,000 in dividends on his shares in the past seven years.

William Morris left \$25,000 of personal property, accumulated from his application of art to industry rather than from his poetry. There are no signs of socialism in the will, almost all the property being left to near relatives.

Crown Princess Stephanie, widow of Crown Prince Rudolph of Austria, attracted much attention in the church at Saxenburg, a suburb of the capital. This was her first appearance in public. Her voice is a contralto.

Further evidence of William Waldorf Astor's expatriation is shown in his election to the Carlton club. This is the ultra swell conservative club of London, and no one is admitted to it who does not belong to the British aristocracy. Ergo, Mr. Astor has become a British aristocrat.

George Meredith's books do not in the least suggest his own personality. He is a very lucid, pointed and witty talker. In height he is about five feet eight, of slender, graceful figure, and has a gentle, blue-eyed face with pointed beard and gray hair parted in the middle and falling in a fringe over his forehead.

Phil May, the English caricaturist, smokes enormous cigars. He is one of the least conventional even of artists who affect Bohemianism. He has been seen on the Strand with a frock coat, yellow boots, and a straw hat. He often receipts an account by rapidly drawing his own characteristic face across that of her gracious majesty with the inevitable cigar between his teeth.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such complications take DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

One Peoria firm of florists use 7,500 toothpicks per day for extension stems for flowers.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.



TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING. Real Estate Dealers, another of their popular EXCURSIONS TO TEXAS on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH where they are selling so much of their choice lands in Texas, Houston and the surrounding country. Write to us for circulars. We will do a general exchange business in land to exchange for stocks of goods to exchange for land. In fact can get you almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars of the country land from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Millikin bank building, Decatur, Ills. BOLEN & LANNING.

Sales of Real Estate.

John Imboden to Eliza A. McKenzie, lot 5 in block 1 of J. Imboden's addition, \$320.

Levi Cross to Jacob Lebo, property in Boddy, \$1.

Charles W. Sleeter to Nancy E. Cross, et al, tract in 11, 15, 1 east, \$1.

Catherine App to Bertha Raupp, lots 4 and 5 in block 2 in Wiss's second addition to Blue Mound, \$300.

Death of Mrs. McCleary.

Mrs. Sallie McCleary, the wife of J. M. McCleary, died this morning at 10:30 o'clock at the family residence, No. 1059 St. Louis avenue, aged 30 years. The time of the funeral will be announced later.

The county treasury is still comparatively empty. It will remain so until the tax collectors begin settling with Treasurer Patterson.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Houke, who has been seriously ill of appendicitis, is better.

**TO-MORROW,
SATURDAY...
Remnant Day**

**Johnston's
Dry Goods Store.**

Remnants of all kinds to go Cheap. Odd lots of Goods to be Closed Out. Jackets and Capes at Half Price.

REMEMBER THE PLACE,
151 North Water Street.

NOW OPEN.
....SLEETH....

Room 522 Powers' Block.

SATURDAY AND ALL NEXT WEEK....

"Cleaning Up" Sale,

At...

The Chicago

A complete "rounding" up of our departments and "tumbling out" of all surplus stock. We have decided not to invoice and instead will devote the time to clearing out odd lots and getting ready for our Spring Stock soon to arrive.

A Season's Surplus. Five Months Accumulation. Innumerable Odd Lots. A Whole Store Full of Remnants. All Must be Closed Out in This Sale.

LOW PRICE PRESSURE PUT ON FROM BASEMENT TO BALCONY, TO PUSH THEM OUT.

Any Fascinator in the house, worth up to \$2.00, Friday and Saturday, 49c.	Bargains in White Goods, Linens, Embroideries and Laces.
3-in wide Torghon Lace, yd.....	5c
Bargain lot Embroideries at.....	10c, 25c
Special Values in India Linens and Nainsooks at.....	5, 10, 15c
Table Damask all linen at 15, 25, 35, 44, 50 and.....	8c
22-inch Cream Damask.....	60c
Bargain lot Towels at.....	10c, 12½c, 15c, 18c, 25c
Reduction in Flannels and Outings.	
All Wool Western Flannel, very cheap at 25c, go now at yd.....	19c
All Wool Red Flannel, worth 25c now.....	15c
10 pieces Outing Flannel reduced to 4½c.	
10c Outings now.....	8c
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Remnants	
For Half.	
Remnants of everything in the house; price no object; cost not considered.	
10-Quart Flaring Pails.....	10c
4-Quart Padding Pans.....	8c
Fire Shovels.....	3c
Japaned Coal Hobs.....	10c
Copper Wash Basins.....	10c
Large Forged Steel Basting Spoons.....	5c
5 dozen Clothes Pins.....	5c
3-Hole Pails.....	10c
5-Hole Butter Moulds.....	10c
5-Hole Choker Mouse Traps.....	4c
Sun Rat Traps.....	8c
Glass Butter Dishes.....	5c
Glass Sugar Bowls.....	5c
Glass Berry Bowls.....	5c
Glass Preserve Stands.....	5c
Beautiful Decorated Creamers.....	5c
" China Plates.....	5c
" Cup and Saucer bc	5c
Dinner Sets.	
Clearing Sale Price.....	\$4.95
\$10.00 Value cut to.....	\$6.99
\$12.50 Value cut to.....	\$7.75
\$15.00 Value cut to.....	\$12.75
\$17.50 Value cut to.....	\$14.50
Toilet Sets.	
\$2.99 Value cut to.....	\$1.99
\$3.99 Value cut to.....	\$2.99
\$4.99 Value cut to.....	\$3.99
\$5.99 Value cut to.....	\$4.99

DOING THE SINNESS.

I say we would do the way we have marked All our winter goods and we knew the prices and that is the reason we are in the BUSINESS; and we go on doing the business. We carry the largest assortments to pick from from, by the best style and fitting in Decatur and at the s. No wonder we are in the BUSINESS. Call before we are gone.

HEAP HARLEY,

Reliable Clothier...

L'S Cough Syrup

of sterling value. It positively relieves all Affections, Cough, Cold, Croup, Grippe. You can always rely on it. COUGH SYRUP is indispensable to Price 25 cts. Shun all substitutes.

real Tobacco Andato, 10c. Dealers or mail, A.C. Meyer & Co., Sales, Md.

E NOT ASLEEP!

order of the day, and just now we are offering some STATIONERY. HOW IS THIS FOR A FLYER? Our Fine Stationery at 10c per Quire, types to Match, 10c Package. MINT KINDS TO SELECT FROM. PAPERS at Almost Nothing.

L'S BOOK STORE, RELIABLE BOOK DEALER.

D STORE NOW OPEN...

at Fire Sale Prices.

WHAT YOU WANT. The fire loss of been adjusted and all new and slightly good as new—will go at astonishingly low price. Dry Goods, Groceries—everything, are BARGAIN SALE.

'S Department Store, 338 North Water Street, PHONE, 248.

Hard,
**FUNERAL
DIRECTOR.**
ATE BLOCK, NORTH MAIN ST.
to the funeral business is furnished and attended to in the highest
style. Funeral Directors will receive prompt attention. In connection a Juicing
will be done.

BITS OF FACT.

No bird can fly backwards without running the dragon-fly, however, can do this and outstrip the swallow in speed.

The Library Museum reports additions

dates 1896 to the number of 234,357

books and pamphlets—a large library in themselves.

It is estimated that the present wealth

of the United States exceeds the wealth

of the whole world at any period prior

to the middle of the eighteenth cen-

tury.

A writer declares that "the ele-

emental oil into the cornstarch can

be used to produce alcohol, cellulose,

or matting smokeless powder and

gun powders for cattle."

The fourth bridge is constantly being

rebuilt. So vast is the structure that

it takes 10 tons to give it one coat, and

one deal with it is something like 120

tons.

Church congregations of Portland,

Me., in the event of a pastor's illness

could easily have a sermon by borrow-

ing the M.C.A.'s graphophone, which

is charged with sermons of a preacher

from Brooklyn to Jerusalem. It

contains also several hymns.

Careful weighing shows that an ordi-

nary bag not loaded weighs the five

ounces part of a pound, so that if

it costs 5,000 bees to make a pound, but

the loaded bee when he comes in fresh

from the fields and flowers, freighted

with honey or bee bread, weighs nearly

twice times more.

From the top of the cathedral spire

in Mexico you can see the entire city

in the most striking feature of the

city is the absence of chimneys. There

is not a chimney in all Mexico, not a

grave nor a stove, nor a furnace. All

the cooking is done with charcoal in

brick ovens, and while the gas is some-

times offensive one soon becomes used

to it.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Sixteen United States presidents had

no middle name, and McKinley lacks

it.

W. S. Witham, of Atlanta, is president

of 27 Georgia banks located in the small

towns of that state.

President James B. Angell, of the University of Michigan, in addition to his prestige as an able college president, has a well deserved reputation as an authority on international law.

Dr. John Saadi, who recently de-

livered a lecture on Mohammedanism in St. Paul's Episcopal church in Boston, is a Syrian. He is studying for the

Episcopal ministry and is engaged in translating the prayer book into Arabic.

Alfred Greenbaum, of San Francisco,

has recently given a library consisting of 1,000 volumes on the Semitic lan-

guage and history to the University of Columbia. The books formed part of

the library of his father, who was chief

rabbi at Lengau, Germany.

Cardinal Sampaio, archbishop of Bo-

logna, is looked upon by the supersti-

tions as Pope Leo's successor. His name

means "flame up," and the next pope is

designed in the book of prophecies as

Jesus' adventus. Moreover, he was pre-

viously bishop of Porte, whose patron

is the Madonna of the Fire.

Ex-Sgt. Merrill, of Kansas, has an Amercan flag that will be used as a

waving sheet at his burial. It was given

to him by 17 old soldiers from the

Leavenworth home. He said the other

day that he prized the flag more highly

than all the official honors which had

been bestowed upon him.

SOME OLD BOOKS.

The first anthology was a collection

of Greek epigrams and other

small pieces by Archilochus, Sappho,

Socrates, Meleager, Plato and others,

between 600 and 95 B. C.

In 1711 a French baron offered a

pledge of ten marks of silver that a

copy of *Venecina*, which he desired to

have, would be returned, and even with

this security, equal in our money to

our 100, his request was refused.

It is asserted by typographical au-

thorities that the first Bible printed in

America was "John Eliot's Indian

Bible," in 1603. The language into

which this Bible was translated is ex-

treme and it is said only one or two per-

sons are able to read it.

The "Book of Common Prayer" was

printed by the command of Henry VIII, in 1546. It underwent several re-

visions, but the second, made in the reign

of Edward VI, very nearly approached

the prayer book as used to-day in the

Church of England. The prayer for

the royal family was introduced by

James I.

Most of the chapters of *Livy*, as well

as some of the entire compositions of

Cicero and other ancient authors, have

been recovered from the palimpsests,

the original writing having been par-

tially effaced in order that the monkish

transcribers might use the parchment

for their hoguiles.

BITS OF FACT.

DRESSING THE BED.

Much Can Be Accomplished Now with Very Little Money.

People in good circumstance and in good society still prefer brass bedsteads. Those next in favor are mahogany and other hard woods; then softer woods stained the new moss green or encrusted white, with designs of windmills and canals in blue, to imitate delft ware. Bedspreads come in all the delicate colors, but the unbleached white are the most desirable, because the best to launder. Cottage quilts are gay weavings at a low price, which resemble the homemade efforts of our grandmothers. These spreads are especially sold for the summer house use and the rooms of young girls.

Mitcheline is the name of a "Mar-

ket" effect in delicate colors, pink, blue, light and delft, with flower and fern patterns; two dollars. There are better qualities in these effects and the colorings include deep yellow and lilac, as well as pinks and blues.

English dimity spreads are inexpensive, some as low as two dollars. Then there are white spreads, with the deep border and "brocaded" flowerings of large size, also with the "satins" finish. You can pay as high as \$25 for some of these, and when you get to elegant lace spreads laid over these there is no limit to the cost. Plain or elaborate, there is just one way now in favor for dressing a bed, and that is with the cover neatly tucked in all around and surmounted by a round French bolster, whose cover must match the spreads. Heavy white linen with borders and centerpiece embroidered in yellow wash silk looks well.—Chicago Chronicle.

To Keep Violets Fresh.

To keep violets fresh when wearing them on the person wrap the stems first in cotton dipped in salted water and then in tin foil. When they are not doing service the stems should be put in salted water, the tops sprinkled, and the whole covered closely with confectioner's paper and put in a cool place. In this way the blossoms may be preserved for several days.

Condensed Testimony.

Charles B. Hood, Broker and Manu-

facturer's Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certi-

fies that Dr. King's New Discovery

has no equal as a cough remedy. J. D.

Brown, proprietor St. James Hotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured

of a cough of two years' standing, caused

by a gripe, by Dr. King's New Dis-

covery. H. F. Merrill, Baldwinville,

Mass., says that he has used and recom-

mended it and never knew it to fail and

would rather have it than any doctor

because it always cures. Mrs. Hem-

ming, 22 E. 25th street, Chicago, al-

ways keeps it on hand and has no fear

of Croup, because it instantly relieves

At West's drug store.

It is said that Prof. N. C. Dougherty,

of Peoria, is to be the head of the new

Bradley Polytechnic Institute.

Many foxes have been killed in Tazew-

well county this winter.

Did You Ever

try Electric Bitters as a remedy for your troubles? If not, get a bottle now and get relief. This medicine has been found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all female Complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have Loss of Appetite, Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, or are Nervous, Sleepless, Excitable, Melancholy or troubled with Dizzy Spells, Electric Bitters is the medicine you need. Health and Strength are guaranteed by its use. 50c and \$1.00 at West's drug store.

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Special Sales.—

OTTO E. CURTIS. & BRO.

On February 1st commence a Special Sale and continue with one Department each week until their stock is greatly reduced, quoting unheard-of prices. It is necessary to do this in order to settle up the firm business, and the large stock must be closed out.

This Week Our "Sale" is CUT GLASS...

Notice Prices in our Front Show Window and you will see that we are quoting facts.

See our ad. next Saturday for some other Department

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.

Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

We're After Money!

So hard that any little consideration as to the actual value of the goods must not stand in our way. For instance there is our fine line of HANAN & SONS' Men's Fine Shoes in Enamel and Patent Leathers, never sold for less than \$6.00 before. Now come around and get one pair or as many pairs as you want at only \$5.00 per pair.

Prices Are Knocked Silly,

And remember all the time that these shoes which we are offering at such low prices are up-to-date in style, well made, desirable, nothing the matter except that the sizes are somewhat broken. If we can fit you we can give you a bargain such as you read about in old times but seldom see nowadays. Our ladies' handwelt shoes, dongs, vici kid sold for \$3.00 per pair and were cheap at that, now marked down to \$2.25. Ladies' hand-turned vici kid shoes, regular \$4.00 grade, and well worth that price of anybody's money, now only \$2.65 per pair. Ladies' \$2.50 vici kid shoes, in all the new toes; these shoes have been the talk of the town at the price—more appearance, style, good material and workmanship than you could get for the money anywhere else—now you can buy one pair or as many pairs of them as you want for only \$1.50 per pair. Proportionately low prices on all men's shoes.

Now Is the Accepted Time!

Now is the time to invest. If times seem tight that is all the more reason why you should save money in your purchases of footwear. We invite you to come. Hurry up while you can be sure you will be fitted. Come and save yourself rich.

F.H. Cole Shoe Co.

143 East Main St. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks.

B. F. BOBO, Manager.

HEADACHE CURED FOR 10 CENTS
AT KING'S DRUG STORE,
By using Dr. Hamilton's Headache Tablets.
Cor. Main and Water Sts., Opposite Linn & Scruggs.

LOCAL NEWS.

Good by ice. Too much rain.
Burke's White Pine Balsam, coughs, colds.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Drink Cool's 25c combination coffee.

Ferd Schick, an old resident of Joliet, died aged 68.

You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraiture but—

Try the delicious scallops at Pearl Oyster & Fish Co., telephone 344.

Ladies' felt slippers 50¢ at Folrath & Hardy's.—26-dwt

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dwt

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Weigand. Mech 25 ft.

Sleeth is the only photographer in the city who guarantees satisfaction.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Ladies' felt slippers, 50¢ at Folrath & Hardy's.—26-dwt

A grand ball will be given in Gephart's hall next Tuesday night. Refreshments free.

Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:42 a.m.

Telephone 344 for Lettuce, Oyster Plant, Water Cress, Radishes, Spinach, Parsley and Celery, at the 5 d^l Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.

The Fullenwider truss cures rupture

For sale by the Corrodanie Co., 21 Syndicate block. Jan 16-dwt

Take the Vandalia-Pennsylvania for Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for the inauguration.

There are several new cases of diphtheria in the city. Red quarantine cards mark the afflicted homes.

Only Two Hours and Fifty Minutes to Peoria. Take the Vandalia Line. Train leaves at 11:42 a.m.

Car No. 5 on the Edward street line was burnt out this afternoon and had to be sent to the car hospital for repairs.

The regular meeting of the Woman's club for political study will meet Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the council room. A full attendance is desired.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-dwt

For Sunday dinner—a nice turkey, duck, goose or spring fry.

Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.

Telephone 344. 3-d^l

Dorvil Brooks, who recently effected a trade with Arthur Evans, for his city property has moved to Decatur and taken possession of his home on West Wood street. Mr. Evans expects to move to the Brooks farm northeast of the city and will devote his attention to agricultural pursuits.

You can get broiling and roasting chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese, at the Pearl Oyster & Fish Co. Telephone 344. 5 d^l

Around the World.

The Canadian Pacific Special conducted excursion "around the world" leaves about May 1. Tickets, \$50. For itineraries and particulars call at Wabash city office.—26-dwt

\$2.00.

For the above price we will sell the finest shoes for ladies to be found in Decatur. See them in our window. Folrath & Hardy, stylish and reliable foot fitter. Sign of the old cobbler.—26-dwt

HALF PRICE ON PLASTERS.

West's Drug Store. 2 for 25¢ Belladonna Plasters.... 2 for 25¢ Strengthening Plasters.... 2 for 25¢

The Institute.

The Macon county farmers' institute will begin at the court house on Tuesday next at 1:30 o'clock and continue three days. The exhibit of products of the farm will be made in the court house corridors on the three floors if that much space is required. All of the articles shown for premiums will be retained by the association, and sold at auction on the last day of the exhibit. Tobe Ward will be the auctioneer. The program for the institute were issued today. Members of the board of supervisors will assist in the distribution of the program.

Great Results Promised.

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Ladies to Meet.

A meeting of the ladies' central committee will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Miss Anna Bonfield, 99 years old, died at Kankakee on Tuesday. She was the oldest resident in Kankakee.



A NEW DINING HALL.

The New Place of Business will Open Up in the B. Stine Building, Central Block.

H. D. Greider, formerly of this city but later of Clinton, where he was in the hotel business, has been in the city for several days past looking for a suitable room to open a first class dining hall. Yesterday he leased the B. Stine building in Central block, both floors, and has given orders for the inside furnishings which he says will be second to none in the state outside of Chicago. He says he will be ready for trade about the 20th inst. In connection with his short order lunch room he will run a regular dining hall, where the best of meals can be had at meal hours. The building is to be improved inside and out and the interior walls will be entirely surrounded with mirrors, the finish to be of hard wood and the ceilings of the latest fresco patterns.

Mr. Greider will expend about \$1000 on the improvement of the interior and says his place of business when opened will be a veritable dining palace, where all the delicacies of the season can be had, served under the direction of a first class caterer. He will be open day and night.

Mr. Greider, when a resident of this city, was employed by Mr. Tugart at the Central house, and his many friends will welcome his return to this city.

MUSICAL CULTURE CLUB.

Meeting Held This Morning at the Home of Miss Edna Burn on West Wood Street.

The members of the Musical Culture club held a meeting this morning at the home of Miss Edna Burn on West Wood street.

In spite of the disagreeable weather there was a large attendance and an excellent program was rendered. The music given was by Mendelssohn and Moscheles.

The next meeting will be an open one and will be held at the home of Mrs. Will Hellman on Thursday evening, Jan. 18. The musical numbers presented this morning were as follows:

Mendelssohn, Ruy Blas—Miss Young and Mrs. Powers.

Mendelssohn, Neues Liebe—Mrs. Hallinan.

Moscheles, Etude in G major—Miss Clark.

Papier West.

Mendelssohn, Spontasia in F sharp minor; first movement—Miss Hamsher.

Mendelssohn, Spinet Lied—Misses Nichols and Young and Mrs. Barnes.

Mendelssohn, Spring song—Miss Pohlmeier.

Mendelssohn, Scherzo op. 16, No. 2—Mrs. Barnes.

Mendelssohn, "I Would That My Love" —Treble Clef Quartet.

AN ECHO SCANDAL.

Ex-Secretary of State Hinrichsen to be Investigated.

W. H. Hinrichsen, late Democratic secretary of state, is soon to go on the carpet for investigation at the state house. It is shown that "Buck" white in office over-drew the appropriation in his department \$52,000, and now the appropriation committee of the house is anxious to learn what he did with all that money belonging to the state. There was quite a row about the item, and the books have been partially inspected to learn the facts. No doubt a full investigation will be ordered in a few days.

Held a Meeting.

The Progressive club met at the home of Mrs. Nellie Leforge on West North street yesterday afternoon with Miss Evelyn Barton. The lesson in literature was on Whitcomb Riley and was interesting to the members. The principal study of the club just now is civil government and the literature program is more in the way of a pleasant diversion.

Dinner, Supper and Sale.

The ladies of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will serve dinner and supper and have a sale of fancy and useful articles in the Central block on Lincoln square next Wednesday Feb. 10. The meals will be first class in every respect.

The money will be used towards the erection of the new church. The ladies are working hard to make this a success and hope to be well patronized. Among the things offered for sale will be a handsome silk quilt, that is worth much more than will be asked for it.

Funeral of R. G. Wells.

The remains of the late Robert G. Wells, who died yesterday in Chicago, were brought to this city this morning and taken to the family residence on Johnne avenue. The funeral will be held next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the First Presbyterian church. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhallow and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Oil Salesmen in Town.

A large number of Standard Oil company salesmen are at the St. Nicholas today. There are thirty-five in number, every man selling oil in the district of which Decatur is a part. They are here for a business conference and to receive suggestions from each other on how to extend the sale of oils and other articles manufactured by the Standard company.

\$3.00.

For the above price we will sell the finest shoes for gentlemen to be found in Decatur. See them in our window. Folrath & Hardy, stylish and reliable foot fitter. Sign of the old cobbler.—26-dwt

Minister Resigns.

Lisbon, Feb. 5.—The Portuguese minister has resigned.

Edward Trutter, of Springfield, son of Joseph Trutter, president of the Springfield Coal Mining and Tile company, died Saturday after a short illness. He was a well known traveling man.

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